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SUBJECT: CSTD INTERGOVERMENTAL WORKING GROUP

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- 1. SUMMMARY: AFTERNOON APRIL 30 PLENARY SESSION OF CSTD INTER-GOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP (IWG) ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE DRAFT RES (SEE TEXT BELOW) ON QUESTION OF CONVENING A UN CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. US AND OTHER WEO DELS EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ABOUT RES REFERENCE TO NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER (NIEO) END SUMMARY
- 2. SOME G-77 DELS PREPARED APRIL 24 DRAFT RES TO BE SUBMITTED BY IWG TO THE FEBRUARY SESSION OF ECOSOC'S COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT (SEE REFTEL). DRAFT INCORPORATED MAIN THRUST AND SOME SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS OF REPORT PREPARED FOR SYG BY PANEL OF EXPERTS THAT MET IN GENEVA OCTOBER 1974.

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3. DRAFT APPEARED GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE TO US DEL EXCEPT FOR OP

SECTION REFERENCE TO CONFERENCE OBJECTIVE AS BEING "TO ADOPT A CONCRETE ECISION ON WAYS AND MEANS OF APPLYING SCIENCE AND TECHONOLGY IN ESTABLISHING THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, AS A TARGET- ORIENTED STRATEGY WITHIN A TIME - BOUND FRAMEWORK (SIC)."

- 4. WEO DELS, NAMELY UK, FRANCE, FRG AND BELGIUM, PRIVATELY EX-PRESSED TO US DEL THEIR CONCERN AND OBJECTIONS TO REFERENCE TO NIEO IN RES. HOWEVER, THEY PUBLICLY RAISED RATHER LOW-KEYED RESERVATIONS, PRESUMABLY PREFERRING US TO CARRY BURDEN OF POSSIBLE CONFRONTATION WITH G-77. IN PLENARY SESSION, US REP (BECKLER) INDICATED THAT REFERENCE TO NIEO COULD INTRODUCE DIVISIVE ELEMENTS AND POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC EMPHAISS EXTRANEOUS TO OBJECTIVES IF PROPOSED CONFERENCE.
- 5. US DEL PARTICIPATED IN APRIL 29 A.M. MEETING WITH WEO DELS TO DRAFT DC'S ALTERNATIVE TO DRAFT RES PREPARED BY G-77
- 6. AT SPECIAL INFORMAL MEETING HELD EVENING APRIL 29 FIVE DELS WERE SELECTED TO ATTEMPT TO MERGE AND RECONCILE TWO TEXTS. GROUP CONSISTED OF TWO DELS FROM G-77 TWO FROM DC'S (INCLUDING BECKLER FOR US) AND ONE EE COUNTRY.
- 7. IN GENERALLY COOPERATIVE SPIRIT, THE FIVE APPOINTED DELS, AND SEVERAL OTHER DELS PRESENT AS OBSERVERS, AGREED ON A NEW DRAFT RES WHICH WAS CIRCULTED BY SECT IN AFTERNOON OF APRIL 30.
- 8. THIS NEW DRAFT REFLECTS MOST SUBSTANTIVE SUGGESTIONS ADVANCED BY US DEL. ALTHOUGH REFERENCE TO A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER IS RETAINED, ITS THRUST IS CONSIDERABLY WATERED DOWN IN THE CONTEXT AND APPEARS GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE TO US DEL AND US MISSION.
- 9. AFTER DRAFT RES WAS ADOPTED (WITH FEW EDITORIAL CHANGE) WITHOUT VOTE BY IWG PLENARY, UK, FRENCH AND GERMAN REPS MADE BRIEF STATEMENTS INDICATING THEIR RESERVATIONS ABOUT INCLUSION OF NIEO REFERENCE IN THE DRAFT. THE US DEL FELT IT UNNECESSARY TO REITERATE ITS POSITION ON THIS POINT, SINCE IN THE COURSE OF THE DEBATES IT HAD CLEARLY INDICATED ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS THAT THE US DOES NOT ACCEPT ANY IMPLICATIONS OF COMMITMENT TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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 $10.\,$ IN ITS LAST MAY $1\,$ AFTERNOON SESSION, IWG WILL ADOPT THE REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMITE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT.

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- (B) TO ADOPT EFFECTIVE MEANS FOR UTILIZATION OF THE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL POTENTIALS IN THE SOLUTION OF PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL AND GLOBAL SIGNIFICANCE, ESPECIALLY FOR THE BENEFIT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.
- (C) TO PROVIDE INSTRUMENTS OF CO-OPERATION TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN THE UTILIZATION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR SOLVING SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROBLEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATIONAL PRIORITIES THAT CANNOT BE SOLVED BY AN INDIVIDUAL ACTION;
- 2. FURTHER RECOMMENDS THAT THE CONFERENCE SHOULD BE WITHIN THE FOLLOWING FRAME WORK:
- I. AGENDA
- 1. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT
- (A) THE CHOICE AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT
- (B) ELIMINATION OF OBSTACLES FOR BETTER UTILIZATION OF KNOWLEDGE

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AND CAPABILITIES IN SCIENCE AND TECNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT OF ALL COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY FOR THEIR USE IN DEVELOPING COUNTIRES

- (C) METHODS OF INTEGRATION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- (D) NEW SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AIMING AT OVERCOMING OBSTACLES TO DEVELOPMENT
- 2. INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS AND NEW FORMS OF INTERNATIONAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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CO-OPERATION IN THE APPLICATION OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (A) BUILDING UP AN EXPANSION OF INSTITUTIONAL SYSTEMS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (B) RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES ON PROBLEMS OF IMPORTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (C) MECHANISMS FOR EXCHANGE OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION AND EXPERIENCES SIGNIFICANT TO DEVELOPMENT (D) STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIOAL CO-OPERATION AND THE DESIGN OF CONCRETE NEW FORMS OF INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FFOR DEVELOPMENT (E) PROMOTION OF CO-OPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND ROLE OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN SUCH CO-OPERATION 3. UTILIZATION OF EXISTING UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM UTILIZATION OF THE EXISTING UNITED NATIONS SYSTEMS AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE ABOVE GOALS IN A CO-ORDINATED AND INTEGRATED MANNER

- THE ABOVE GOALS IN A CO-ORDINATED AND INTEGRATED MANNE 4. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE FUTURE COMSIDERATION OF THE REPORT OF A PANEL OF EXPERTS TO BE CONVENED ON THIS SUBJECT.
- II. PREPARATORY PERIOD
- 1. THE PREPARATORY PERIOD OF THE CONFERENCE SHOULD BE AN INTEGRATED AND FUNDAMENTAL COMPONENT OF THE CONFERENCE ITSELF, THROUGH PRELIMINARY NATIONAL AND REGIONAL ANALYSES OF RELEVANT SOCIO-ECONOMIC PROGLEMS WHICH CAN BE SOLVED WITH THE HELP OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY:
- 2. A LIMITED NUMBER OF SUBJECT AREAS WOULD BE SELECTED WITH A VIEW TO PROVIDING IMPORTANT MATTERS FOR ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION OF THE ISS UES

LISTED IN THE AGENDA. ON THE ABASIS OF NATIONAL PRIORITIES, THROUGH THE

PREPARATORY PROCESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA. THE SUBJECT SHOULD:

- (A) BE FEW, WITH AN ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM OF FIVE;
- (B) BE DEFINED AS PROBLEM AREAS WITH SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS THAT CAN BE SOLVED UTILIZING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY;
- (C) REQUIRE AN INTEGRATED AND INTERDICIPLINARY APPROACH AND AN INTERAGENCY APPROACH;
- (D) HAVE CLEAR RELEVANCE TO PROBLEMS OF DEVELOPMENT OF ALL COUNTRIES, ESPECIALLY OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND SHOULD EMERGE FROM NATIONAL PRIORITIES THROUGH REGIONAL CONSENSUS:
- (E) BE CLEARLY DELINEATED AND LIMITED IN SCOPE;

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